

BEAR RIVER BULLETIN



Tribal Easter Gathering

APRIL 21, 2019

11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM

TNCC

EASTER EGG HUNT FOR 13 YEARS OLD AND UNDER

FOOD & PRIZES



MARCH 2019

SPRING EDITION



Filing hours are from 9am to 2pm Monday through Thursday.



The Tribal Court has developed a “Response Packet” for community members living on the reservation to use when they have been served with a Petition for Eviction. The packet includes forms to use to respond, instructions on how to respond, and what is considered a legal defense. There is no fee to file a Response to the Petition for Eviction.

The Tribal Court is collaborating with California Tribal TANF’s Wellness Coordinator on a Violence in Indian Country workshop presentation. The presentation will go over the violent and abusive influence the invasion, genocide, and boarding schools had on our native communities. The workshop will identify community resources and the different types of restraining orders state court offers people experiencing violence and abuse. The workshop will discuss what forms are needed and how to fill out the forms for a restraining order. Our goal for the workshop is to start the conversation on healing and provide the community resources and education.

NOW HIRING

Accounting Manager

Bear River Casino Resort

Chief of Public Safety

Bear River Band of the
Rohnerville Rancheria

FEC- Food & Beverage Manager

Family Entertainment Center

FEC- Tech Manager

Family Entertainment Center

GIS Specialist-THPO Assit.

Bear River Band of the
Rohnerville Rancheria

Operations Manager

Family Entertainment Center

APPLY ONLINE OR CONTACT HR TODAY!

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bearriver/](http://www.vs4.vscyberhosting.com/bearriver/)

Housing Report

ICDBG

Currently HUD offices are open for 31 days after closure from December 28, 2018. Notices and applications sent out wait list reopened January 31, 2019 for Tish Non Village. Application has been successfully submitted on January 4, 2019. The ICDBG NOFA was published Monday, October 22, 2018. Please note this NOFA is ONLY for FY18 funds with an application deadline date of January 7, 2019. The proposed project was to construct four (4) four-plexes divided into two (2) phases. Phase I was to be constructed with ICDBG FY18, IHBG FY19, and Tribal Funds. Phase II was to be constructed with Tribal Funds and possibly Economic Development to serve medium and high income Tribal Members.

IHBG

IHP (Indian Housing Plan Grant Estimate Amount \$50,904) submitted
October 1, 2018

Tish Non Village

Community Outreach Spring Cleanup scheduled March 22, 2019.

Basayo Village Court

Current Wait list is full; and units are in the process of turning over for new
Tenants.

Other Rentals

No vacancies

BRDC

The Bear River Development Commission meets every other Wednesday
at noon in the room 204 Tish Non Community Center.

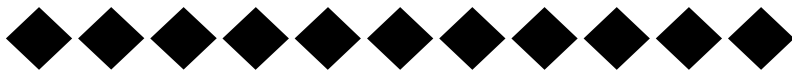
BIA Hip

Receiving applications for year 2019.

Respectfully, Charmin Bailey Housing Director

Policies & Policies Revision

Tribal Members feedback on new policies or policy revisions shall be taken at the evening sessions (last Tuesday of every month). Please make sure to come to give your thoughts. Notification of policies changes shall be given in advance notice to members.



West Coast Falconry will give a presentation about the sport of Falconry in the United States. Learn how Falconry is viable hunting sport that has its own season and bag limits, just like gun and bow hunters. Falconry has a unique role not only in hunting, but in wildlife and habitat preservation.



Meet the hawks and falcons traditionally used in hunting today as well as some falconers from the Yuba/Sutter area. Cameras are encouraged.

Saturday Come and see us!
Date: 3-2-2019 Time: 10AM-12PM
Address: 266 Keisner Rd. @
Tishon Comm. Bldg.

West Coast Falconry
10308 Spring Valley Road
Marysville, CA 95901
530-749-0839
info@westcoast-falconry.com
www.westcoast-falconry.com

* All are welcome. Free to the Public.

IMPORTANT DATES

Mothers & Daughters Talking Circle

3rd Friday of the Month

Tribal Easter Gathering

April 21, 2019

Events Committee Meeting

March 18, 2019 10AM

Perfect Attendance Deadline

15th of every month

CONTACT US

www.brb-nsn.gov

266 Keisner Road
Loleta, CA 95551

Phone (707) 733-1900

Fax (707) 733-1723

Tribal Council Meetings

Every Tuesday of the
month starting at 9:00
AM

Education Department



Higher Education Department- We currently have thirteen Tribal members utilizing the education program. If you are interested in pursuing an education or furthering yourself in your career, please feel free to contact the Education Office. We would be more than happy to help you get on track with your education. We have help for online training, FAFSA application help, vocational training, and traditional classroom, there are many options and we would love to help you.

Perfect Attendance Program- If you have child(ren) in school and they have perfect attendance remember to turn in their perfect attendance log to the Education Department by the 15th of the month to receive the monthly incentive for the previous month. The perfect attendance policy has changed. There are No more excused absences, the monthly incentives and the end of the year incentives will require true perfect attendance to receive the benefits. If you have any questions, concerns, or just would like general information, please feel free to contact the Education Department.

Honoring the Graduates- Honoring the graduates is just around the corner, if you have students graduating from eighth grade, High School, or College, please let the Education department know by filling out a General information form.

We will have dates and activities set up for parents to participate this year, we would love any parents that can sew, bead, or have time to offer to help appreciate our graduating Tribal Members. More information will be available as dates approach.

Childcare- We are now enrolling new families on our Childcare assistance program. In order to qualify:

- Child(ren) must be enrolled in a federally recognized tribe.
- Family must be low income
- Lives within our service area, (35 mile radius around Fortuna, CA)
- Must be able to provide proof of employment or school enrollment.



The CCDF Grant program is designed to help make childcare services more affordable and accessible to Native Americans. You can apply for this program through the Bear River Childcare Office. Applications are available by mail, fax, and in person.

For more information or if you have questions, please feel free to contact us.

Aileen Meyer (707) 733-1900 Ext. 202 or aileenmeyer@brb-nsn.gov

Trista Clark (707) 733-1900 Ext. 298 or tristaclark@brb-nsn.gov

Education Department

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR EDUCATION DEPT.

Name: _____ M/F _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Phone: _____ Enrollment Number: _____ DOB: _____

Name of School: _____

Grade Level: _____ Gradation Date: _____

Have you received previous funding from Bear River (Yes/No) _____ Date Received: _____

Additional Information:

Little Bears Learning Center

Now Enrolling!!

- **We are open Monday thru Friday 7:30 am – 5:30 pm**
- **We have full time and part time slots open!**
- **We have competitive pricing and Tribal discounts!**
- **Students prepare for kindergarten in a fun and safe learning environment.**

If you are interested in enrolling your child or if you would like more information, please feel free to stop by or call. Our knowledgeable staff can assist you with many of your childcare needs.



*Little Bears Learning Center
266 Keisner Road
Loleta, CA 95551
(707) 733-1900 Ext. 299 or Ext. 161*

ENR Department

Environmental and Natural Resources Department

Riparian Buffer Expansion Project Update

With grant funding from the Environmental Protection Agency, ENR spent the winter planting a riparian buffer area around the wetlands on the Rancheria. ENR had the help of many organizations to make this happen. Bear River Rancheria staff, youth, community volunteers, the Watershed Stewards Program, and the Hoopa Tribal CCC all contributed to the planting of over 2,000 native trees, shrubs and grasses. There are many benefits to planting a forest near a body of water, also known as a riparian forest. As we know water is life. The water gives rise to the forests which then contribute to the wetland or river that the forest is next to. The forest provides, food, shelter, and space for animals, such as black-tailed deer, red shouldered hawk, and coastal giant salamander. Forests also, filters pollutants in the water and soil, clean the air, and provide nutrients and structure to the river or wetland - adding complexity and cover for aquatic critters, such as fish and insects. Forest and stream interactions are complex, but each is part of a system that feeds into the other forming a constant cycle within these ecosystems. We are also part of this great cycle, and as this forest grows we will benefit from its clean air, shade, fruits, roots and stems...and we will continue to pass on a legacy of environmental stewardship to the next generation.

ENR staff will monitor the planting site for three years with the goal of having 70 percent of the plants survive. Please help these plants survive into the future. Be respectful of the recent planting by staying on designated trails on the Rancheria. If you'd like to volunteer or help with the maintenance of the recent planting, contact the ENR department water quality specialist at (707) 733-1900 x165.



During winter break, the youth helped with the planting effort. Here they are planting a cottonwood tree.



Over 30 community members spend their Saturday with ENR and the Watershed Stewards Program planting native trees, shrubs, and grasses on the Rancheria.



The Hoopa Tribal CCC spent 10 days preparing the planting sites as well as planting native trees, shrubs and grasses. Here they plant a big leaf maple tree.

ENR Department

Water Quality Assessment Report

The Water Quality Specialist collects surface water samples every other week to track and assess the overall conditions of surface water quality on the Rancheria. This data is compiled and analyzed annually in a report that serves to inform the Tribe of the health of its wetlands, and determine if there are water impairments that need to be addressed. The annual Water Quality Assessment Report for 2018 has been released. If you are interested in learning about the status of surface water quality on the Rancheria you can download the report from our website at <http://www.brb-nsn.gov/departments/epa/departments-epa-wetlands/>. Call 733-1900 x165 or email emilymoloney@brb-nsn.gov with any questions or concerns.



Indoor Air Quality

Types of indoor air pollutants:

1. Carbon Monoxide
2. Radon
3. Secondhand smoke
4. Biological Sources (mold)
5. Indoor particulate matter (dust)

Poor indoor air quality can cause dizziness, headaches, ear infections, watery eyes, sneezing, coughing, asthma, chest pain, and even cancer. If you need assistance with maintaining healthy indoor air quality contact ENR for a free indoor air quality assessment

Now Offering Free

Indoor Air Quality Assessments

- ✓ Radon Testing
- ✓ Humidity & Temperature
- ✓ Chemical Smoke
- ✓ Moisture

Contact ENR @ 733-1900 X 119

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

Please take your HHW to Humboldt Waste Management Authority (1059 West Hawthorne St, Eureka, CA 95501). They have a \$5 price per car load on the first Saturday of every month, 9am-2pm. Household Hazardous Waste includes: cleaning supplies, workshop/painting supplies, automotive products, lawn products, pesticides, and more.

ENR Department

Electronic Waste (E-waste)

The e-waste drop-off location is down the driveway behind the new grey modular building at 120 Bowie Rd, in front of the middle shipping crate. You may also call Kayla (707-733-1900 x119) to arrange a free pickup, or you may take your e-waste to Recology Eel River for free. Please no vacuum cleaners or fridges with freon, if you have any questions about what qualifies please call! E-waste is generally anything with a circuit board.

Pet Voucher Policy

Each tribal member may receive no more than 2 spay/neuter vouchers in a seven year period. Vaccination vouchers are no longer offered. You may stop by the ENR office to pick up a voucher or copy of the policy, or call or email ENR for more information 707-733-1900 ext.119. Spay Humboldt now takes our vouchers and has a very affordable rate. Contact them at 707-442-7729. Vouchers are also accepted at Fortuna Veterinary, Ferndale Veterinary, Riverwalk Veterinary, and Broadway Animal Hospital.

Mark your Calanders!!!



Save the Date

Earth Day Celebration

PROTECT  OUR SPECIES

April 24th, 2019

Free giveaways,
raffle prizes,
games and more!

Time and
location
to be
determined



 @ Bear River ENR 

<http://www.brb-nsn.gov/departments/epa/>

The ENR website has been updated with a new look and new content. Keep up to date with all our programs and projects, and download ENR program documents. Visit us at <http://www.brb-nsn.gov/departments/epa/>. And don't forget that we have a Facebook page! Follow us @ Bear River ENR.

Community Outreach



One time a year, HOME ENERGY HELP with PG&E or PROPANE bill or with purchase of Firewood

If you need help with your PG&E, propane or firewood this year and would like to apply for HEAP assistance through Redwood Community Action Agency (RCAA) please contact Elizabeth Varelas, Benefits Coordinator to sign up for RCAA HEAP Energy Outreach Day.

You must call Elizabeth at (707)733-1900 ext.209 to sign up for energy outreach day. You will need to bring the following documents before the outreach day to Elizabeth:

- 1) Current PG&E bill (all pages)**
- 2) Shut off notice, if you have one**
- 3) Current propane bill (even if you're not applying for propane)**
- 4) Proof of income of everyone in your household over the age of 18 years.**

You must have all the required documentation before the outreach day, or we cannot help you! No EXCEPTIONS!

Redwood Community Action Agency HEAP Income Guidelines

Number in household Maimum income allowed

1	\$ 2,431.04
2	3179.06
3	3927.07
4	4675.08
5	5423.10
6	6171.11
7	6311.36

All eligible Humboldt County residents are welcome to apply. If you have questions, call Elizabeth Benefits Coordinator-Ph. 733-1900 ext. 209

Facebook

Tribal Member

@bearriverrancheria

Public

@BearRiverBandOfRohnerville
Rancheria

Little Bear's Learning Center

@bearriverlittlebearslearning
center

Bear River Library

@bearriverlibrary

Bear River Culture

Department

@bearriverculturaldepartment

Bear River Tobacco Traders and Coffee Company

@bearrivertobaccotradersandc
offeecompany

Bear River Recreation Center

@bearriverrecreationcenter

Bear River Family Entertainment Center

@bearriverBear-River-Family-
Entertainment-Center

Bear River Rancheria

Environmental & Natural

Resources Department

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Bear River Newsletter

[https://www.facebook.com/g
roups/1493425270935199](https://www.facebook.com/groups/1493425270935199)

Bear River Culture Committee

[https://www.facebook.com/g
roups/724729874277452](https://www.facebook.com/groups/724729874277452)

Bear River Social Services

CLEAN & SOBER EVENT CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT



Win gift card prizes!!

**Thursday, February 28th, 4pm-6pm
at Tish Non Community Center**

**266 KEISNER ROAD,
LOLETA, CA 95551**



More information:
call Bear River Social Services
(707) 733-1900 option 2



BEAR RIVER SOCIAL SERVICES

ELDERS POTLUCK LUNCHEON

Main dish provided - please bring a side dish to share!

TUESDAY, MARCH 5TH, 11:30AM - 1PM
BEAR RIVER SOCIAL SERVICES

588 Singley Hill Road, Loleta

RSVP for a ride by March 4th.
(707) 733 - 1900 option 2



BEAR RIVER BAND of ROHNERVILLE RANCHERIA

266 Keisner Road, Loleta, CA 95551, 707-733-1900, FAX 707-733-1723

Please return to:
Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria
Attn: Jim McGinnis
266 Keisner Road
Loleta, CA 95551

Address Change Request

The undersigned releases and holds harmless the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria from any litigation that may arise from the request for address change(s) other than for myself. Further, if applicable, I request and authorize the change of address on behalf of my enrolled minor child(ren) to be the person below. By signing this release of liability, I also certify that I am the adult biological Tribal Member parent (or court documented adoptive/guardian) of the listed minor Tribal member child.

Signature (required)

Date

Printed name as it appears on the Tribal Roll

Roll Number

Phone Number

I request that my address be changed to the following:

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Member signature required _____

I request that my minor child's address be changed to the following:

Child's Name _____ Roll Number _____

C/O _____ Relationship _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

****NOTE: one form is required for each individual address change*****

Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria
Communication Director
266 Keisner Road
Loleta, CA 95551